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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Prior Application:

Art Unit: 1209

Examiner: K. Prior

SIR: This is a request for filing a continuation under 37 C.F.R. § 1.62 of pending prior application Serial No. 08/590,624 filed January 24, 1996 for CORTICOID-17, 21-DICARBOXYLIC ESTERS AND CORTICOSTEROID 17-CARBOXYLIC ESTER 21-CARBONIC ESTERS, PROCESSES FOR THEIR PREPARATION AND PHARMACEUTICALS CONTAINING THESE COMPOUNDS.

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The above-identified prior application in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

1.  Enter the amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 but unentered, in the prior application.
2.  A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
3.  The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 1 and 2 above.

(1) For	(2) Number Filed	(3) Number Extra	(4) Rate	(5) Basic Fee \$770
Total Claims	5-20=	0	x \$ 22.00	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	1-3=	0	x \$ 80.00	\$ 0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)			+\$260.00	\$
Total =				\$770.00
Reduction by ½ for filing by small entity				-
TOTAL FILING FEE =				\$770.00

4.  A amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed in the attached check.
5.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to deposit Account No. 06-0916.
6.  A new declaration is included since this application is a continuation-in-part which discloses and claims additional matter.
7.  Amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the sentence:

-- This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/590,624, filed January 24, 1996, now abandoned; which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/310,791, filed September 29, 1994, abandoned.--
8.  A verified statement claiming small entity status is [ ] enclosed or [ ] is on file in the prior application.
9.  Priority of application Serial No. P4333920.4, filed on October 5, 1993, in Germany is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy is on file in the prior application.
10.  The prior application is assigned of record to: HOECHST AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT.
11.  The power of attorney in the prior application is to at least one of the following: FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P., Reg. No. 22,540, Douglas B. Henderson, Reg. No. 20,291; Ford F. Farabow, Jr., Reg. No. 20,630; Arthur S. Garrett, Reg. No. 20,338; Donald R. Dunner, Reg. No. 19,073; Brian G. Brunsvold, Reg. No. 22,593; Tipton D. Jennings, IV, Reg. No. 20,645; Jerry D. Voight, Reg. No. 23,020; Laurence R. Hefter, Reg. No. 20,827; Kenneth E. Payne, Reg. No. 23,098; Herbert H. Mintz, Reg. No. 26,691; C. Larry O'Rourke, Reg. No. 26,014; Albert J. Santorelli, Reg. No. 22,610; Michael C. Elmer, Reg. No. 25,857; Richard H. Smith, Reg. No. 20,609; Stephen L. Peterson, Reg. No. 26,325; John M. Romary, Reg. No. 26,331; Bruce C. Zotter, Reg. No. 27,680; Dennis P. O'Reilley, Reg. No. 27,932; Allen M. Sokal, Reg. No. 26,695; Robert D. Bajefsky, Reg. No. 25,387; Richard L. Stroup, Reg. No. 28,478; David W. Hill, Reg. No. 28,220; Thomas L. Irving, Reg. No. 28,619; Charles E. Lipsey, Reg. No. 28,165; Thomas W. Winland, Reg. No. 27,605; Basil J. Lewis, Reg.

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13.  Recognize as associate attorney: Kenneth E. Horton, Reg. No. 39,481.
14.  Also enclosed is Petition for a 3-month Extension of Time in prior application Serial No. 08/590,624.

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION.** If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in the parent application, Serial No. 08/590,624, filed January 24, 1996, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

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